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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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SHINICHI YAMAMURA, et al.)
:) Group Art Unit: 2676
Application No.: 10/626,588)
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Filed: July 25, 2003)
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING)
APPARATUS, INFORMATION :
PROCESSING METHOD, AND)
COMPUTER-READABLE :
MEMORY MEDIUM STORING)
PROGRAM FOR REALIZING :
THE METHOD) June 3, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's
attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

U.S. Publication No. 2003/0189718
U.S. Publication No. 2001/0026281

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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